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Ultimatum for 8 this morning Peres instructs El Al to suspend operations

By ZEEV SCHUL, Jerusalem Post Aviation Reporter and Staff
TEL AVIV. — The Economic Ministers Committee last night served an ultimatum on the striking El Al personnel that, unless they return to work immediately, El Al — the national air carrier — will close down as of 8 a.m. today. The dramatic news was broken at a late night press conference at the Sheraton Hotel here by Transport Minister Shimon Peres, who had urged the action. The Jerusalem Post learned last night that efforts were underway — with the Histadrut — to have the dispute settled during the night. The workers' reaction to the Ministerial decision was not immediately known.



GOOD OLD DADS — Mr. Peres disembarking from an El Al plane at Lod Airport.

Sanbar proposals Shelve State projects, halt public building

By DAVID KRIVINE, Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent
The new state-financed development projects should be shelved for six months, and all new construction of public buildings frozen for a year, excepting only hospitals, Moshe Sanbar, Governor of the Bank of Israel, recommends in his report on the means of payment. The report to the Cabinet is due to be released next week.
Demand inflation, caused primarily by an unexpectedly large inflow of foreign exchange, caused the volume of money in circulation to swell by a record 4 per cent in the month of March. Foreign currency reserves shot up during that month by over \$100m. to \$550m. (the official figure will be announced today) — and this is excellent news for Israel's balance of payments.
But the local-currency counterpart is pressing prices upward, threatening to generate an inflationary wage-price spiral. This has to be avoided at all costs, Mr. Sanbar believes, and his view is confirmed by a preliminary report from the International Monetary Fund, whose representatives were recently in Israel.

The ban it recommends on public works will apply even to schools; only extra school-rooms may be added to existing establishments under the plan. The Accountant-General should release for budgetary expenditure what is available in the kitty and no more. This would stop the practice of milking money in the printing presses during the first part of the fiscal year, before tax revenue starts pouring in.
Interest should be increased by 2-3 per cent on all forms of subsidized loans — export credit, directed credit and development loans (which at present range from 6 to 12 per cent, as against a free-market interest-rate of 16 per cent and over). Dr. Zvi Susman, research chief of the Bank of Israel, pointed out yesterday that upping interest-rates in the directed credit funds would make it possible to increase the participation of the commercial banks, and reduce the amount of cheap money contributed by the central bank — thus helping to diminish the means of payment.

BIG GNP RISE
Their survey pays tribute to Israel's success in stepping up exports and investment last year, while holding consumption in check. (Latest information reveals that the Gross National Product grew in 1971 by more than the published figure of 7.1 per cent. The Central Bureau of Statistics is due to release a correction, stating that the real increase — even more than the 7.1 per cent predicted in last year's National Budget.)
But IMF experts warn that a crunch is building up for 1972, and the Government will have to take additional counter-inflationary measures. Proposals to this effect will constitute the main burden of the central bank's report next week.

REPRIATING CAPITAL
A subject under active study is the speculative placement of foreign capital. Purchases of real estate by foreign residents, for sale after two or three years at a big profit, are equivalent to a high-interest dollar loan — if the purchaser is permitted to repatriate his capital, according to Mr. Yitzhak Taub, Secretary-General of the bank. It is recommended therefore that repatriation be permitted after five years instead of three — which would not worry genuine investors wanting a stake in Israel.
Zones designated as development areas should be reduced, thus cutting the number of enterprises entitled to big loans and investment grants. And the authorities should take the opportunity offered by the country's relatively favourable dollar reserve position, and slash tariffs — in an accelerated drive to liberalize imports.

Vietnam counter-offensive

TWO weeks after the beginning of the North Vietnamese offensive, the most serious since the 1968 "Tet" operation, it seems that Saigon has finally succeeded in rallying its forces and with massive American air support, mounted a counter-offensive. It is now expected that the Hanoi attack will spend itself in about four to six weeks. In such an issue Saigon may expect as its allies the monsoons, American bombings, and the fact that the North's offensive will have lost its initial momentum by then.

The Hanoi attack had three major goals. The first, to seize as much territory as possible in South Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia; to demonstrate that the "Vietnamization" programme of the United States has so far failed to bring about any great increase in the ability of Saigon to take over its own defense; and finally, to weaken the will of the American people by reviving the anti-war campaign which had waned lately in view of the continued steady troop withdrawals.

Of the three, the last is the most dangerous politically for President Nixon. He had expected to benefit by his Peking visit, the Moscow summit and the de-escalation of the Vietnam war to help him in the November election. The Peking trip proved highly useful, but it is now overshadowed by the ominous events in Vietnam. On the eve of the Moscow summit, the Soviets have chosen to demonstrate their freedom of action by giving vast amounts of military aid to Hanoi, even at the risk of torpedoing the summit. American public opinion has been aroused by the unending war, because the deterioration in the situation has halted the troop withdrawal, led to the resumption of air attacks on North Vietnam, and brought U.S. naval reinforcements into the Western Pacific.

Mr. Nixon badly needs victory of some sort in South Vietnam to justify the far-reaching measures he has authorized. He has had to take a difficult decision to fight the battle quite alone, and at a tremendous risk to his own political position is seeking to keep an American commitment. There is already powerful opposition at home, and he may find himself in the situation that Lyndon Johnson faced during the "Tet" offensive. In making the decision, Mr. Nixon must assume that the present offensive from the North will not really prevent him from continuing to hand over military responsibilities to Saigon and progressively reduce the American role there, even if the schedule is delayed.

Israel is bound to watch developments in South-East Asia very closely, and above all the reaction to them of some segments of the American public. Much of the credibility abroad of the U.S. is tied up in Vietnam together with its troops.
Mr. Nixon's stand will most likely pay off. South Vietnam, with American help, looks as though it should be able to fight off the present offensive, and not without the North suffering heavy losses. If this happens, Mr. Nixon will come to Moscow with better-stacked cards than he holds at the moment, thus assuring a better bargaining position for himself, and incidentally furthering his chances of being re-elected.

Elazar says new guns meant to strike deep



Yitzhak Weiner has his Second-Lieutenant insignia pinned on him by the Chief of Staff, Rav-Abut David Elazar, as one of the two outstanding cadets of the artillery officers' course.

"The new long-range cannon that have strengthened the Army's artillery corps are not designed to draw you away from the cease-fire lines but to extend your fire power deeper into enemy territory," Chief of Staff David Elazar told a class of Artillery Corps officers at a graduation ceremony at an army base yesterday.

Rav-Abut Elazar took the salute at the passing-out parade, which was also reviewed by the Chief of Staff, Rav-Abut David Elazar, high-ranking army officers and invited guests.

The Chief of Staff also told the graduates: "You are now ready to take command of units standing alert at the cease-fire lines.

Therefore, you must maintain a high degree of preparedness, to anticipate any attack... from now on, you will be officers in an army that has served the nation with honour, and will serve so again if the enemy resumes fighting.

"The artillery corps is a supporting force, but we know that an efficient supporting force is what decides the outcome of a battle... The Israel Defence Forces have faith in each and every one of you... Good luck!"

Immediately following the playing of the National Anthem a giant colourful cloud of smoke erupted from the long row of cannons lining the parade fields. As the cloud lifted, the cannon began to move.

20,000-man relief force stalled Rockets slam Da Nang, threaten U.S. air base

DA NANG. — Nearly a score of North Vietnamese rockets slammed into the Da Nang area early this morning, apparently hitting near the U.S. air base. There was no immediate report on casualties or damage.

U.S. Air Force and Marine F-4 Phantom jets are using the air base for raids against enemy positions in North Vietnam, the northern quarter of South Vietnam and Laos.

Sirens echoed through Da Nang, South Vietnam's second largest city, within minutes of the attack, at 1:30 a.m. An aircraft with a huge searchlight was immediately airborne.

Meanwhile, attacking behind saturation bombing by U.S. B-52s, the entrenched and battle-hardened defenders of An Loc yesterday attempted to force back part of the North Vietnamese siege forces threatening the provincial capital north of Saigon.

A 20,000-man Government relief force remained stalled 24 kms. south of the town after being hit with heavy mortar fire and ground attacks. A better part of the Government's Fifth Division is bottled up 100 kms. north of Saigon.

A South Vietnamese base was also reported surrounded along the most likely invasion route to Hue, the old imperial capital 92 kms. south of the Demilitarized Zone. The surrounded unit mans Fire Base Bastogne 49 kms. southwest of the city, much of which was captured and held for weeks during the 1968 Tet offensive. For a third day, re-supply helicopters were unable to land because of heavy anti-aircraft fire the defenders have seen heavy fighting and may be low on ammunition.

Despite the critical situation around Bastogne, military sources said the immediate threat to Quang Tri and most other key points closer to the DMZ had diminished. In general, they said, Government troops now had taken the initiative and were carrying the fight to the North Vietnamese. However, there was no report of any drive to take back the 18 kms. of territory north of the Dong Ha River which was lost in the first three days of the big Communist attack.
The Allied Command for the moment seemed most concerned with the fighting on Highway 13 for An Loc. Two nearby district headquarters were lost to the Communists earlier. President Nguyen Van Thieu has ordered An Loc held at all costs, fearing the political and psychological impact of losing a provincial capital to the Communists. The North Vietnamese, probably for the same reasons, have sent elements of three divisions against the town.
Renewed hard fighting in southern Cambodia, just across the Vietnam border, also raised the threat that the Communist offensive might spill over into the Mekong Delta, so far relatively quiet during the current push.

In Washington, the White House announced yesterday that President Nixon is still undecided on further U.S. troop withdrawals from Vietnam beyond the end of this month. By that time, U.S. strength there will be down to 69,000 men.

Presidential spokesman Ronald Ziegler said Mr. Nixon will have a statement on troop withdrawals by May 1, but he left open the possibility that the President might suspend the programme.

Mr. Nixon reviewed the two-week-old North Vietnamese offensive against South Vietnam during a two-hour meeting yesterday with Republican Congressional leaders, at which officials reported that Saigon's forces were doing well against the invaders.

Representative Gerald Ford, Republican party leader in the House of Representatives, said Mr. Nixon gave no indication of what he will say in his next troop pullback announcement.

Senate Republican leader Hugh Scott said he did not know the President's intentions, but, to the best of his own knowledge and judgment, the withdrawal programme would continue. (AP, Reuters) (French ask resumption of peace talks — page 2)

Saudia, Kuwait 'make military pact with Egypt'

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter
Saudi Arabia and Kuwait have agreed to provide Cairo with "offensive weaponry" if the Egyptians went to war with Israel, under a new agreement reported yesterday. Beirut's "An-Nahar" daily said that the military pact was reached between the three Arab states during Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's visit to Saudi Arabia and Kuwait last month.

Egypt is unlikely to expect substantial military aid from either country, especially from tiny Kuwait which has a token force stationed on the Suez Canal front. Saudi Arabia's offer might be confined to limited activity along the Red Sea coast where the Saudi Arabians have been consolidating their naval strength recently.

Danish firm shipping radar units here

COPENHAGEN (INA). — The manager of the Danish electronics firm Terma has confirmed that his company is exporting radar units to Israel despite Government restrictions. He said Terma had received the orders from the Israel Embassy in London.
A leftist newspaper, "Navy Politic," on Sunday accused the firm of "smuggling" strategic electronics equipment to a post office box address in Tel Aviv via London.

Libya outlaws all strikes

TRIPOLI, Libya (Reuters). — Strikes of any kind are to be banned under a law issued by the Revolutionary Command Council, the official Libyan news agency said here yesterday.

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49 RUSSIANS ASKED TO LEAVE BOLIVIA

LA PAZ, Bolivia (AP). — A total of 49 Soviet diplomats and officials must leave Bolivia, Jaime Tapia, Under-Secretary of Bolivian Foreign Relations, said yesterday. Their departure, along with their dependants, means that a total of 100 Russians will leave, Mr. Tapia said. The Under-Secretary added that Bolivia, which maintains a three-man diplomatic mission in Moscow, considers that 13 employees are sufficient to represent the Soviet Union in Bolivia. The Bolivian Government three weeks ago ordered the Soviet Embassy in La Paz to reduce its staff by 118 persons, and presented a list of Russians who would be required to leave. (Bolivian F.M. — page 1)

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Poher: Syrian Jews worst off in Arab world

French Senate President Alain Poher, in Israel at the head of a delegation from the France-Israel Friendship Society, yesterday described the plight of Syrian Jewry as the worst of any Jewish Community in the Arab countries. Mr. Poher, who was speaking to the Israel Committee for the Jews in Arab Countries at Jerusalem's Van Leer Institute, added that the Paris-based International Committee working to help Jews in Arab lands had proof that statements to the contrary from Syrian Jews had been extracted under pressure and were completely worthless.

Mr. Poher, who is a leading member of the international committee, said that since its foundation after a mass meeting in Paris the group had accomplished a great deal, including helping to put an end to persecution of Jews in Egypt and to bring about the return of civil rights to Iraqi Jewry. But he said that in one country—Syria—none of the group's efforts had brought any result. He described the situation of the Jews there as still very grim, and said the international committee was continuing its efforts to arouse world public opinion.

As to Syrian Jewry, he stressed that there was any problem, Mr. Poher said that the best proof of this would be if the Syrian authorities would let all Jews who wish to leave the country do so.

Mr. Poher told the meeting that many countries, including France, had supported the efforts of the international committee. He stressed that the group was not motivated by any political considerations, but merely aimed at protecting the rights of man everywhere.

Another member of the French delegation, attorney Jacques Mercier, told the local group of the International Committee's future plans, and said he had first been aroused to the plight of Arab Jewry by the hanging of Israeli agent Eli Cohen in Damascus.

At a luncheon for the delegation, Foreign Minister Abba Eban said

that Israel would do "everything possible to renew and protect" its friendship with France. Israel had never demanded that improvement of relations with Israel should weaken France's relations with other countries, he said.

"In a period in which there are so few social delegations from France, we are especially proud that Israel's friends in France send us such distinguished personalities," Mr. Eban said.

Praising the French guests for their friendship to Israel, Mr. Eban singled out Mr. Mercier, for his activities on behalf of Jews in Arab lands. He also said he was sure the French Ambassador, Mr. Francois Hure, "spared no effort to reach better understanding."

Mr. Mercier told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday that Israel should not lose her cool temper in the face of French "bad manners." The enemies of the friendship between the French and Israel people would merely exploit such "fit for fat" measures, he said in an interview.

In this context, he said he was shocked by the attack by Deputy Prime Minister Yigal Alon on France at the Holocaust Day memorial service at Yad Vashem on Tuesday night, in the presence of the delegation and the French Ambassador.

Mr. Alon had said: "If the U.N. Commission on Human Rights gives its official stamp of approval to accusations that Israel is guilty of crimes, and France supports this, we cannot but shake our heads at a cynicism which seeks out of bad consequence or selfish interests, to charge the victims of slaughter with the slaughterer's deed."

During the day the French delegation met with Prime Minister Golda Meir at her office in Jerusalem, called on Acting Knesset Speaker Yitzhak Navon at the Knesset, and visited the Hebrew University.

The 12-man delegation, which in addition to Messrs. Poher and Mercier includes Jacques Soustelle, came to Israel for the dedication of a street in Jerusalem's Mekeor Haim quarter in honour of the late French General Pierre Koenig.



An Iranian child, whose parents and brother were killed in Monday's earthquake, stands amid the ruins of her village of Fakhrabad. (AP radiophoto)

1,600 bodies recovered in Iran

TEHRAN (Reuter). — Nearly 1,600 bodies have so far been recovered from the rubble of homes in the earthquake-shattered province of Fars, it was officially announced yesterday.

General Mohammad Fazeli, chief of relief and rescue operations at the Premier's office, said 3,530 persons were still missing in the devastated areas. Up to 4,000 persons were feared dead in Monday's disaster which destroyed at least 45 villages.

But with communications in the area still disrupted, no exact figure could be reached. He noted that in the village of Ghr, which was the epicentre of the quake, 950 persons were missing.

It was announced yesterday that the Shah, accompanied by Empress

Bolivia F.M.: Barbie case still in court

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

The French request for the extradition of former Gestapo chief Klaus Barbie is still being considered by the Bolivian Supreme Court, that country's Foreign Minister, Dr. Mario Gutierrez said yesterday. "The proceedings are continuing normally," he told a press conference in Jerusalem, at which he also expressed support for Israel's demand for direct negotiations and secure borders.

A cooperation agreement between Israel and Bolivia will be signed in Jerusalem this morning by the two Foreign Ministers.

Mr. Gutierrez stressed at the press conference that the Barbie matter was entirely in the hands of the Supreme Court and that the executive could not interfere with its proceedings. He said that all legal measures would be taken, including extradition, if the court decides.

Asked why Bolivia had taken no measures against Barbie, who was known as "the Butcher of Lyons," until the French request, the Minister said that Bolivia had no way of knowing that a man who had lived in Bolivia for many years under the name Altmann was actually another person.

Mr. Gutierrez said that Foreign Minister Abba Eban had expressed sensitivity on the subject of Nazi criminals when they met yesterday morning. He had told Mr. Eban that Bolivia would give every possible guarantee that there would be no interference with the court proceedings. He also said that the revolution which brought the present regime to power came "to serve Bolivia and not Altmann," and that Bolivia will act in accordance with its laws.

Mr. Gutierrez said that Bolivia entirely supports Israel's view that the best way to a peaceful solution to the Middle East conflict is direct talks. He also supported Israel's demand for secure borders.

The Foreign Minister said that his country also wanted direct negotiations — with Chile, over the granting of access to the sea to Bolivia. This was also a question of security, autonomy and freedom, he said, adding that in the past Bolivia did have such access.

Asked about the cooperation agreement due to be signed today, Mr. Gutierrez said that it would provide for Israeli assistance in a number of projects. He mentioned an afforestation scheme and a plan to restore archaeological sites, in order to boost tourism. He said that at present, Israel experts in Bolivia are helping set up cooperative settlements and are engaged on water research projects in the arid Bolivian plateau. Bolivia was interested in more Israeli help, especially in agriculture, where the most important problem was the conversion of the present system of smallholdings to a more viable foundation.

Asked about the repercussions of his recent expulsion of over 100 members of the Soviet Embassy in La Paz, Mr. Gutierrez said that he had not yet heard any Soviet reaction. His aim was not to break off relations with Moscow, but he had considered that Embassy staff much too big for a country which did not have any special links with Bolivia.

Social and Personal

The Danish Ambassador, Mr. Sigvald Kristensen, yesterday called on Transport Minister Shimon Peres in Tel Aviv.

The Housing Minister and Mrs. Zeev Sharaf entertained the members of the Technical Advisory Committee on Housing, a joint committee of the Jewish Agency and the Housing Ministry, on Tuesday.

The Colombian Ambassador and Mrs. Luis Sanin Aguirre held a reception on Monday in honour of the Colombian Ambassador to France, Dr. Silvio Villegas, who is visiting Israel as guest of the Foreign Ministry. Among the guests were the heads of the Latin American missions and Mr. and Mrs. Felix Cirilli de Nores of Cyprus.

Mr. Panayotis A. Tsounis, Greek Consul-General in Jerusalem, visited Mayor Teddy Kolek yesterday morning.

Baroness Alix de Rothschild, world patron of Youth Aliya, was luncheon guest yesterday of Mr. Joseph Klarman, head of Youth Aliya.

The Ramot Shapiro World Youth Academy gave a luncheon yesterday in honour of Mr. and Mrs. David Sussman of Cape Town and Mrs. David Sief of London. Rabbi Dr. Ya'acov Vainstein, the Academy's chairman; Rabbi Dr. Israel Abrahams, formerly of Cape Town; and Rabbi Mordechai Kirschblum, associate head of the Aliya Department of the Jewish Agency, were among the speakers.

Associate Professor Ellahu Nissim has been appointed Dean of the Technion's Faculty of Aeronautical Engineering and Director of the Aeronautical Research Centre.

Mr. Larry Frisch, a film producer, will lecture on "An American Family in China," at the Tel Aviv-Jaffa Rotary Club weekly meeting, at the Z.O.A. House, 1.30 today.

An *Oneg Shabbat* (in English) for tourists and olim will be held at 9 p.m. Friday, April 14, at Ichud Shvith Zion Synagogue-Centre, 85 Ben Yehuda, Tel Aviv. A question-and-answer programme will feature Rabbi Yehuda Ansbacher and Robert Garney, "Chicago Tribune" correspondent.

IN MEMORIAM

Memorial services will be held on Sunday, April 16, to mark the 25th anniversary of the death of Meir Feinstein and Moshe Barzani, the two underground fighters who blew themselves up in a prison death cell to escape being hanged by the British authorities. At 4.00 p.m., service will take place at Heroes Hall in the Russian Compound, formerly the Central Prison. At 4.20 there will be a Yizkor service at the graves on the Mount of Olives. At 7.30 a memorial meeting will be held in Heroes Hall, next to the cell in which the two men blew themselves up.

A memorial service for Dr. Ya'acov Herzog will be held on Sunday at 8.00 p.m. at the Schaver Auditorium in Beit Agron, Jerusalem. The service will follow the unveiling of the tombstone in the Sanhedria Cemetery at 4.30. President Zalman Shazar, Premier Golda Meir, Foreign Minister Abba Eban and Mayor Teddy Kolek will attend.

LIBERTY PORT. — The National Commander of the Jewish War Veterans of the U.S., Jerome Cohen, has urged Secretary of Defence Melvin Laird to consider the use of Haifa and other eastern Mediterranean cities as "liberty ports" for American naval personnel.

Kidnappers disarmed through car window

PARIS (Reuter). — A policeman calmly reached through a car window yesterday morning and snatched away from a trio of escapees the two guns which they had trained on the vehicle's woman driver.

Then other police pulled the woman member of the trio of fugitives from the car before she could reach for two other pistols in her bag.

In one of the most spectacular escapes here in recent years, the two men and the woman had broken out of the Central Law Courts by taking three hostages at gunpoint on Monday night, and had been at large for 30 hours. They were arrested in the pre-dawn hours yesterday when they tried to steal a car only 100 metres from a police van.

Police said the two men — Christian Jubin and Georges Segard — made no attempt to resist arrest despite the urgings of the woman, Segard's blonde

Babi Yar mourners dispersed by K.G.B.

NEW YORK (INA). — Kiev Jews attempting to hold a memorial service at Babi Yar on Tuesday morning for victims of the Holocaust were dispersed by military and municipal authorities who told them they could not assemble there because "other nationalities were killed there too."

This was reported to the Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry, in a telephone conversation with a Kiev Jew, Mikhail Radomyseky. He said he and his friend, Boris Krasny, were threatened with arrest by a K.G.B. agent who told them, "You are the inspirers of this event."

Radomyseky, who told the S.S.S.J. that he thought the Nixon visit to Moscow in May "will help us," also said, "We are afraid. If we don't go to Israel before Nixon comes, we will go in another direction."

"The K.G.B.," he said, "tried to tell us that our departure depends on our silence."

In Jerusalem, the Government Press Office yesterday reported other activities by Soviet Jews in connection with Memorial Day for the Holocaust and the Heroism.

It said about 200 Jews gathered in the Moscow Central Synagogue Monday evening for memorial prayers. After the services, they entered a small chamber adjoining the main synagogue, where they lit 29 candles,



Former U.S. President Lyndon Johnson, who suffered a heart attack last week, is shown as he arrived at the Brooke Army Medical Hospital in Texas for further treatment, after a flight from Virginia yesterday. Mr. Johnson was accompanied on the flight by a cardiologist. (AP radiophoto)

15 Tupamaros tunnel out of penitentiary

MONTEVIDEO (AP). — Fifteen Tupamaro guerrillas and six common criminals made another incredible escape yesterday from the Punta Carretas Penitentiary through a 60-metre tunnel dug from the institution's hospital to a sewer outside the walls.

The escapees included Tupamaro leaders who had been recaptured after 106 Tupamaros escaped from the same jail on September 6.

President Juan Bordaberry, met

Podgorny opens talks in Turkey

ANKARA (Reuter). — Soviet President Nikolai Podgorny held a three-hour opening round of talks yesterday with President Cavdet Sunay and other Turkish leaders and reviewed international and bilateral topics.

Officials described the talks as "frank and intimate" and declined to give any details. But informed sources indicated that, in a general review of international questions, the Soviet leader had touched on Cyprus, the Middle East, Indochina and European security and disarmament prospects.

President Podgorny later met Prime Minister Nihat Erim for discussions limited to bilateral topics. Full-scale discussion will be resumed today.

Bilateral matters outstanding between the two countries include trade, Soviet economic and technical assistance in Turkish industrial projects, and cultural relations.

Retired major held in new U.S. hijack bid

PORTLAND, Oregon (Reuter). — FBI agents on Tuesday thwarted an airplane hijack attempt at Portland International Airport and accused a retired Air Force officer of trying to extort half a million dollars from the U.S. Treasury.

The agents charged that Major Burton Davenport, 56, threatened to blow up a Continental Airlines 707 jetliner with nitroglycerine unless he was given \$500,000 and a dozen hand grenades. The flight, with 60 passengers, was bound for Hilo, Hawaii.

Agents said the plane was at the loading docks when a man gave a stewardess a note warning that he had nitroglycerine in his possession. He said he would turn over the explosive in exchange for the money and a dozen live grenades.

FBI agents boarded the plane and persuaded the man to surrender. Preliminary tests showed that the substance in his possession was not nitroglycerine.

In Washington, the Federal Aviation Administration took action Tuesday that could lead to penalties against United Airlines and Pacific Southwest Airlines for allowing their planes to be hijacked a few days ago.

The F.A.A. sent both airlines notices of investigation, charging they failed to screen boarding passengers, in both hijack instances, in accordance with newly enacted regulations. The F.A.A. gave the airlines 20 days in which to respond.

Should the F.A.A. determine that the airlines violated regulations, it could impose penalties of up to \$1,000 for each illegal act.

The F.A.A. advised the airlines that new rules effective February 6 require them to use effective screening systems to prevent carriage of guns, explosive devices or other weapons aboard their planes. The approved detection systems include use of an F.A.I.A.-developed "behavioral profile," various types of magnetometers, identification checks, and physical searches.

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French ask resumption of Vietnam talks

PARIS (AP). — France yesterday called for resumption of "cease-fire talks" of the Vietnam peace conference, broken off by the U.S. March 23.

At the same time the North Vietnamese and Vietcong also demanded a new meeting of the conference today, but this was rejected by the U.S. and South Vietnam. The two delegations alleged that the Communists were not prepared to "negotiate seriously" and that talks could not pick up again under pressure of the North Vietnamese offensive in South Vietnam.

Neither the U.S. nor South Vietnamese delegation had any comment on the French effort to get the talks under way.

POLITICAL SOLUTION

The French statement, issued after a Cabinet meeting chaired by President Georges Pompidou, also said "the Government is more than ever convinced that the conflict must have a political solution and that such a solution remains possible."

The French move followed by five days a request by North Vietnam that France intervene with the U.S. to halt the bombing of the North. Cabinet spokesman Leo Hamon would not make it clear whether the North Vietnamese demarche had led to the French Cabinet statement yesterday.

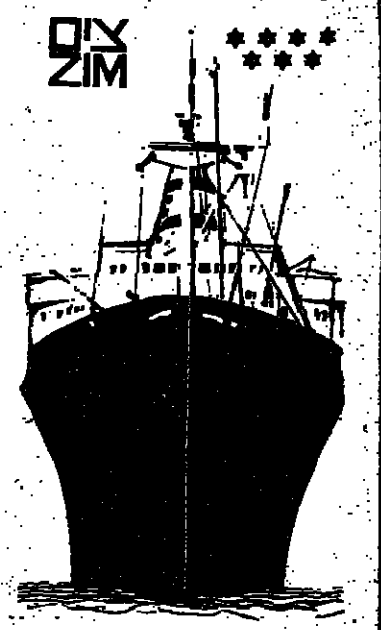


Former U.S. President Lyndon Johnson, who suffered a heart attack last week, is shown as he arrived at the Brooke Army Medical Hospital in Texas for further treatment, after a flight from Virginia yesterday. Mr. Johnson was accompanied on the flight by a cardiologist. (AP radiophoto)

Egypt, Libya plan nuclear power station

CAIRO (Reuter). — Egypt and Libya are to build the first nuclear power station in the Arab world, Egyptian Minister of Power Ahmed Sulhan said here.

Sulhan, who returned from a visit to Libya on Tuesday, said the station would enable Libya to cultivate large areas of land in the Jebel al-Akhdar area near Benghazi with the use of desalinated sea water. He said that following the construction of the station, Egypt and Libya would be joined by the same electric power grid.



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SAMUEL SCHIMMEL

Faulkner asks action against I.R.A. bases

BELFAST (UPI). — Brian Faulkner, who quit as Northern Ireland Premier when direct British rule began, yesterday met William Whitelaw, charged by Britain with enforcing the measure, and demanded army action against Irish Republican Army strongholds.

Political sources said the first meeting between Mr. Faulkner and Mr. Whitelaw since the latter assumed the post of Secretary of State for Ulster last month could be crucial to British efforts to conciliate minority Roman Catholics and Protestants without risking a majority Protestant backlash.

Political sources said Mr. Whitelaw told Mr. Faulkner he would discuss security measures with the joint security committee for the province, set up under the former Ulster Government and still functioning with advisers named by Mr. Whitelaw, replacing Ulster Cabinet Ministers.

In Londonderry, British army bomb experts played a waiting game through Tuesday night and yesterday exploded a small bomb planted in a dry cleaner's by two gunmen who left a parcel on the counter, and snapped: "It's a big one — you'd better get out."

The explosion started a fire above the dry cleaner's, severely damaged the building and damaged a house across the street but caused no casualties, an army spokesman said. Bomb experts declared the area safe

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U.S. TROOPS IN VIETNAM STAGE BRIEF REVOLT

PHU BAI, South Vietnam (Reuters). — Some American troops staged a short-lived revolt yesterday by refusing to go out on patrol round this big U.S. air base near one of the northern fronts of a Communist offensive.

After a heated argument with the colonel assembling them into patrol units on the base tarmac, where the rebellion was witnessed by newsmen, the men were taken back into the base.

A little later, however, the convoy was assembled again after the colonel had apparently convinced the men to go. The colonel told the newsmen as he went by: "We are going out into the field to do our job."

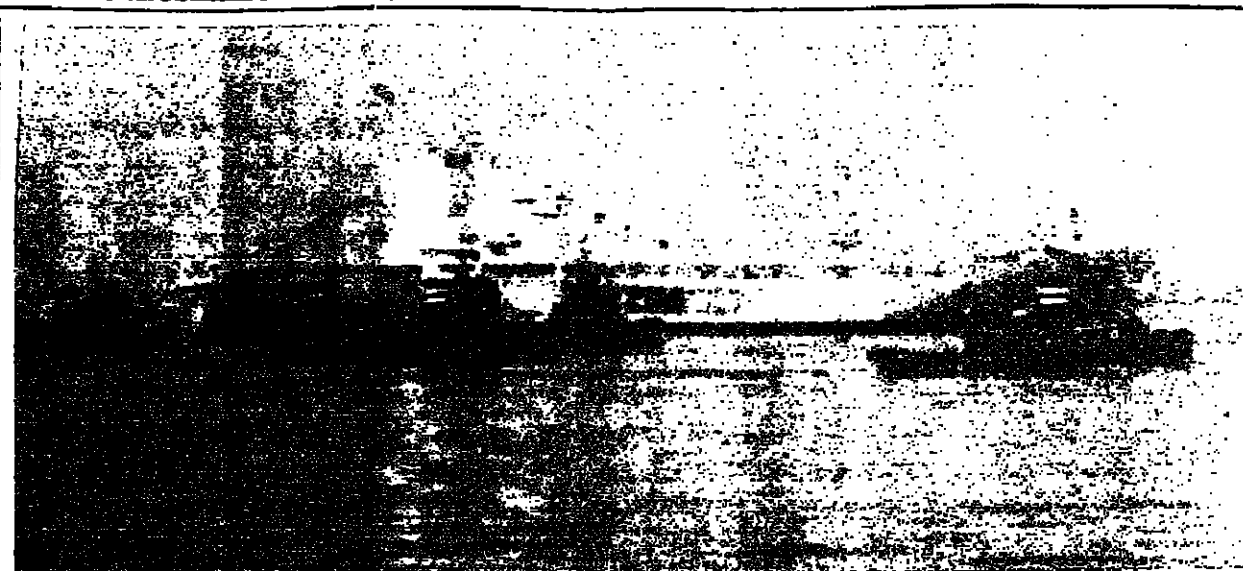
The men first refused to go out because they considered the patrol "too dangerous." They also said they did not know the area.

The men told the reporters on the tarmac that they had only been notified the previous night that they would be going out into the bush on patrol. "I'm afraid," said one of the men, "that this territory is full of booby traps and we don't know it."

Phu Bai is near Hue, which has been under pressure from Communist troops pushing eastwards from the foothills near the Laotian border.

Essentially the patrols are what U.S. troops are doing elsewhere in South Vietnam. There are still six combat battalions among the 90,000 forces still in Vietnam.

Some of them provide security for U.S. installations, which in most cases means patrols in an "area of operation" around the base.



The Zim New York, first of a fleet of six ships, representing an investment by Zim of \$150m. in container shipping, arrives in New York harbour on Tuesday for a special maiden voyage salute. The ship will open a new service between Israel, the Mediterranean, North America and the Far East.

Soviet dancer fired for visa request

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — ONE of the top ballet dancers in the Soviet Union has been dismissed from the Kirov Ballet Company and branded a traitor because he has applied to emigrate to Israel, his friends reported on Tuesday night.

They said the dismissal order was read out to Valery Panov at a special meeting of the ballet company's trade union leaders in Leningrad on Friday.

Panov, a Jew who changed his name from Shulman because he feared anti-Semitism, was hailed before about 20 union representatives who unanimously endorsed a dismissal order which charged him with being "a traitor to his country."

Panov applied on March 21 for the "character references" required by Soviet law to support an application for exit papers, telling the Kirov director he wanted to go to Israel.

Panov's friends said the Kirov company director told Panov he would not be given a character reference because he has no relatives in Israel. However, according to his friends, Panov does have family there.

Professor threatened

Meanwhile, in New York, the National Conference on Soviet Jewry learned on Tuesday that Professor Herman Baranov of Riga in Soviet Latvia was threatened with criminal prosecution if he did not stop teaching at a Torah study class. Franz Maass, chairman of the National Conference, said that "Prof. Baranov, a physicist, considers himself part of the Habad Hassidic movement. He left his job as a physicist when he was unable to practise a religious life. His wife, who is a doctor, was fired when the family applied to emigrate to Israel."

According to the Conference, Prof. Baranov agreed to be the instructor for a Torah study session to be organized at the Rigas synagogue and classes were begun before formal approval was received from the authorities. A representative of the Ministry of the Interior warned Baranov that if he did not stop teaching the classes he would be charged with violating the Latvian criminal code. (AP, INA)



A dozen helmeted and club-wielding policemen surrounded a car in which left-wing students took shelter during a clash in Naples on Tuesday. Among the injured were 26 policemen. (AP radiophoto)

Soviet message

MOSCOW (AP). — Soviet Communist Party leader Leonid Brezhnev has made it known that he wants a "maximum of ceremony and a maximum of substantive discussions" during President Nixon's visit here next month. U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Earl Butz disclosed this yesterday as part of an oral message Brezhnev had asked him to convey to Nixon.

Butz was received by Brezhnev for an hour and a half in the Kremlin on Tuesday. The Agriculture Secretary later described the talk as "frank, warm and open."

CAIRO CONGRESS ENDS

Palestinian moves to isolate Hussein

CAIRO. — Palestinian leaders held talks with Egyptian officials here yesterday as part of wide-ranging moves to isolate King Hussein of Jordan.

Palestinian sources said that Palestinian delegates would tour Arab capitals this week to try to mobilize Arab support against Hussein's plan to link the two banks of the Jordan in a federal union.

One idea expected to be discussed in these talks is an Arab summit to decide on collective measures against the Jordanian regime.

The executive committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization is to hold an urgent meeting soon to work out a plan of action in the light of the resolutions passed at the Palestine National Congress meeting here.

Arafat threat

Yasser Arafat, the Fatah leader, told the last session of the congress that steps would be taken in coordination with Arab countries to expel "the Isackey Jordanian regime" from the Arab League.

The Palestine National Congress would work out a six-day conference Tuesday night in Cairo without reaching full agreement. However, spokesman Kamal Nasser was quoted by the Cairo press as saying it was unanimously agreed to achieve "national unity" within three months, including unification of all terrorist groups in one organization.

A 22-member committee was formed to supervise execution of the unification plan.

The spokesman said the congress "supported" a statement issued by delegates denouncing Hussein's plan. The statement affirmed the Palestine Liberation Organization was "the sole representative of the Palestinian people."

Nasser did not specify what issues were left without agreement, but said one item left over for the P.L.O. was the question of the enlargement of the 151-member congress, which is regarded as the "legislative organ of the Palestinian people."

The often-stormy congress sessions, from which the press was excluded several times, were held primarily to counter Hussein's plan and its provision for a semi-autonomous Palestinian state on the West Bank of the Jordan.

One such crisis erupted in the final closed session, according to the newspaper "Al Ahran," when the Chief of Staff of the Palestine Liberation Army demanded that the unity plan should not be allowed to "infringe on agreements previously concluded between the army and some Arab countries."

The Chief of Staff, Brigadier Mishbah Bedeiry, did not say what these agreements were.

The 7,000-strong army is stationed largely in Syria, and is kept under tight reins there, held by the Syrian Government. (Reuters, AP)

Israel's firm stand surprised the French

By JACK MAURICE

PARIS. — The French Foreign Ministry has been severely jolted by Foreign Minister Abba Eban's display of solidarity with Mr. Kollek and his insistence that Jerusalem is a united city and Israel's capital.

This was apparently one of the key factors in the settlement of the "Paris exhibition affair." France had originally objected to the participation of the Mayor of Paris if Mr. Kollek were to address the opening.

Officials here insist that no offence was intended in refusing to allow Mayor Kollek to act as master of ceremonies in his own municipality, but this argument does not seem to have convinced the French daily press.

The independent "Combat" said on Tuesday: "France is doing its utmost to leave relations between Paris and Jerusalem in a state of bitterness. At a time when France is bent on further extending its friendly relations with the Arab world — the Deputy Foreign Minister announced yesterday that French embassies will soon be installed in Bahrain, Qatar and Abu Dhabi — the continuing bitter state of relations with Israel must be underlined."

Vietnam and the Moscow summit

WASHINGTON. — PRESIDENT Nixon is reliably reported to be going ahead with all plans for his journey to the Moscow summit meeting next month despite deep concern in his administration at Soviet involvement in the North Vietnamese offensive.

Rumours and speculative reports to the contrary, the working-level contacts between high-level Soviet and American diplomats preparing the agenda and staff papers for the summit are continuing in Washington and Moscow.

American officials point out that the most profound national interests are at stake in discussions expected at the summit—nuclear arms, tensions, the future status of Europe, and global balance of power questions—all of which rank ahead of Vietnam on the present-scale of President Nixon's long-term priorities.

Informed officials do not share a widely-expressed view amongst commentators that the latest Communist offensive is a "make-or-break" issue for Mr. Nixon or the United States because they see the outcome of the present fighting as probably indecisive, with neither gaining a clear-cut advantage before the Moscow meetings.

Although the Hanoi offensive certainly poses serious problems both at home and abroad for the Nixon administration it is still too early to reach firm conclusions about the direction of the offensive. The only circumstances in which President Nixon would seriously consider not going to Moscow would be if the South Vietnamese forces were completely routed by the Communists.

This would mean that the President would be going into any talks with the Russians in a defensive posture, weakened at home politically.

But American officials see no point in considering such a decision at this stage. They have reacted in marked contrast to the one time when the Moscow summit was in jeopardy — last December during the India-Pakistan war. At that time Dr. Henry Kissinger let it be known that the President would reconsider the whole relationship with the Soviet Union, including the summit, if the Russians did not stop encouraging the military advances of India. White House anger with the Soviet role was unmistakable.

During the North Vietnamese offensive, the official American response, while critical of the Soviet role as arms supplier, has been careful to avoid blowing it up into a threat to the top-level talks.

On this reading and on the basis of subsequent approaches by the Soviets at the highest level to the Americans, the White House is reported to be currently ready to accept Soviet willingness to continue with the summit meetings. But in the last resort everything depends on how the battle goes in South Vietnam. A severe setback—such as the capture of a number of major South Vietnamese cities—could force Washington's hand and lead to a postponement—but this not the scenario presently seen ahead by the Americans.

—with Soviet Ambassador Anatoly Dobrynin present — declared that "every great power must follow the principle that it should not encourage directly or indirectly any other nation to use force or armed aggression against one of its neighbours." Last week, Secretary of Defense Melvin Laird and State Department spokesman Robert McCloskey did mention the Soviet Union by name in criticizing the arms supply role. But none of this yet sounds like an administration which is preparing to call off a vital summit meeting, or is even seriously considering it. To do so in advance of a clearer picture of the latest battles would be an open admission by President Nixon that his whole Vietnamization policy had failed.

American officials believe that the Soviet Union at first tried to dissuade the North Vietnamese from pressing an offensive in advance of the summit, but finding Hanoi determined to go ahead, Moscow has been careful to avoid blowing it up into a threat to the top-level talks.

Speaking at the signing of the new convention on chemical and biological warfare, President Nixon

WASHINGTON

By Sam Lipski



'MOST FRENCHMEN PRO-ISRAEL'

By FRED GOLDSTEIN

WASHER I return to France I shall try to promote other visits to this country. I shall try to have at least a minister to come and see what is being done here. You cannot know each other without seeing each other: that is common sense, isn't it?"

Alain Pöher, the President of the French Senate, who has been visiting Israel, prides himself on being a man of common sense and right attitudes of much of the French administration, of which there are recent examples in the domain of Franco-Israeli relations.

Alain Pöher is the second personage in France as President of the Senate. When De Gaulle resigned over an unsuccessful referendum, Pöher stepped into the Elysee Palace, and became the interim President.

Pöher contested the presidential elections against Pompidou. He showed restraint in his campaigning, not making use of the facilities he could have had as Acting President. He made a remarkably good showing, and some say that

ward it not for a last-minute Communist abstention which favoured Pompidou he might have won.

This sturdy, thick-set French bourgeois grandfather's main connection with Israel is his work to aid Jews in Arab lands.

"During the Nazi occupation I helped to hide some 20 Jews and succeeded in saving the lives of a dozen of them. This left me with an obsession that if we all had acted as the Danes, it would have been saved. So when I was approached by Ambassador Eytan about the fate of the Jews in the Arab lands I undertook to act so that a similar tragedy should not happen again."

"I accepted the chairmanship of a committee for Middle East Jews on condition that I would be assisted by friends like the Catholic Father Riquet, a former deportee, and the Gaullist member of Parliament, Jacques Mercier. We ended by presiding over an international committee and we were successful in securing the evacuation of Jews from Egypt and a considerable improvement of the situation in Iraq."

"I must say that the French Government was of considerable help and supported all our efforts. Now the problem of Syria remains, where the authorities pretend that Jews are safe and sound. If the Syrian Jews are so happy, why do they escape? Would it not be the proof of Syrian elasticity if they allowed the Jews to check whether to leave or to remain? Is it not the elementary right of every citizen to come and go? If Arabs were victims of any discrimination I would be the first to fight for their rights. I believe in preserving human rights everywhere and for everybody."

Pöher's first contact with Israel was 40 years ago, in 1932, when he came here with a Common Market delegation.

"I also stayed at the King David then, but it was much less quiet." An old Englishwoman was shot by the Jordanians just at the corner of the hotel. Now I feel a relaxation of tension everywhere. I was surprised by the extent of building,



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National League poses problems for punters

By PAUL KOHN
Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — National League matches return to the Sportoto football coupon this week, posing some tricky problems for forecasters.

While Tel Aviv Maccabi are certain to remain in top spot after Saturday's games, the positions from second to seventh may change drastically. The present second-placed team, Netanya Maccabi, will not play this week.

Haifa Hapoel return home to entertain Jaffa Maccabi, who produced the best football of last week's round in beating Shimshon 4:0. Haifa Hapoel were, however, not disgraced in forcing a 0:0 draw away against Hakoah, and claim the best defence in the country. Home ground advantage should give the Haifa side a narrow win.

Hakoah travel to Kfar Saba, a team only one point behind them. Kfar Saba Hapoel have drawn more games than they have lost and won together, and will have a tough time to beat the newly-ambitious Hakoah, led by Sharabani, Farfas and Messing. The visitors may have the edge and an away win should not be excluded by punters.

Tough match

Another tough match should be the encounter between Petah Tikva Hapoel and League leaders Tel Aviv Maccabi at Petah Tikva. The home team have improved greatly since their early season showing, and with some luck may hold a point from Spiegel, Barnur, Taibi and Co. Both Jerusalem clubs, Betar and Hapoel, play in the Capital this Saturday, Hadera Hapoel appearing at the Y.M.C.A. ground and Haifa Maccabi at Hapoel. Of the leading clubs, Jerusalem Betar appear to have the best chance of collecting points, and a slip by the other leaders might well put Betar back in second position.

Jerusalem Hapoel have made steady progress up the table without producing anything spectacular. Haifa Maccabi return to league football after a month's lay-off, and will have to pull out all the stops to avoid being serious contenders for relegation. This writer has always considered Haifa Maccabi a better team than their position warrants, and they may pull off the surprise of the round.

Beersheba Hapoel return to the Bloomfield Stadium for the second week in succession, this week playing Bnei Yehuda. This should be one of the most interesting games of the week, although it has nothing to do with the championship race. Bnei Yehuda are now fighting determinedly to lift themselves from bottom spot, and trail Tel Aviv Betar by only a point. Beersheba Hapoel's 0:0 draw against Tel Aviv Maccabi last week did not prove anything conclusive, and here too the points may be split after a hard-fought game.

Tel Aviv Betar and Tel Aviv Hapoel meet in Petah Tikva, which is now Betar's "home ground." Neither side managed a goal last week.



but with Feigenbaum back to lead the Hapoel attack, and the team in the hands of British coach Harry Game, fans will be looking forward to better things from Tel Aviv Hapoel. They should come away with at least one point.

First- and second-placed in the Northern Division of League "A," Acre Hapoel and Petah Tikva Maccabi are head and shoulders better than anything else in their division and are assured of National League soccer next season.

The Maccabi team may ease their way to another win. In the Southern division, Marmorek play a crucial match away against Bat Yam Maccabi. Close-challengers Holon Hapoel look good for two points at home against Ashkelon Hapoel.

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- Bat Yam Hapoel v Be'er Ya'acov Hap.

H'kong asks for World Cup play

HONGKONG (Reuter). — The Hongkong Football Association (HKFA) have offered to host the qualifying rounds of the World Cup (Asian zone), provided that their proposal for splitting the competition is approved by the Asian Football Confederation (AFC).

At a meeting early this week, the HKFA decided to apply to the AFC and proposed that the eight teams in the group — Israel, South Korea, Japan, Malaysia, Thailand, South Vietnam, the Philippines and Hongkong — be divided into two sub-sections of four teams each.

The four-team preliminary round tournament would then be played in two places, Hongkong and South Korea.

But if the AFC at their meeting later this month in Bangkok decides to have all eight teams battle it out in one venue, Hongkong will withdraw its application.

SMUGGLING, BRIBERY AND PLEA BARGAINING

The Supreme Court allowed an appeal against a judgment of the Haifa District Court delivered on November 30, 1971 (in C.C. 332/71). The appellant, Eliahu Bachmutsky, signed an agreement with the Haifa District Attorney's office in accordance with which he undertook to give the police information about past and future smuggling offences involving port employees and others, and to admit his part in certain of the smuggling offences in return for the prosecution's undertaking to refrain from asking the court to give him a prison sentence.

The appellant was indicted in the Haifa District Court on various counts of giving bribes, smuggling and dealing in foreign currency. He had cooperated with the police against him and on the strength of his admission was found guilty on all the charges. The agreement between him and the prosecution was not brought to the attention of the District Court, but the prosecutor asked the court to give the accused a suspended sentence only, plus a fine, on the grounds that he had cooperated with the police. The District Court, however, refused to accede to this request and sentenced the accused to three years' imprisonment, holding that acceptance of the prosecution's line of reasoning could encourage potential smugglers to take the risk of being caught as they could always, in that eventuality, offer their services as informers to the police and perhaps get off scot-free.

In the appeal to the Supreme Court against the sentence the appellant's counsel argued that it was too severe in the light of the fact that the maximum sentence for bribery is three years and for smuggling two years and, further, that if the appellant had not believed in good faith that by revealing everything to the police and admitting the charges in court he would be spared an actual prison sentence, he would have denied his guilt. Mr. S. Toussis-Cohen appeared for the appellant and Mr. E. Rubin, Assistant State Attorney, for the State.

Judgment

Justice Cohn, who delivered the first opinion of the Supreme Court, held that it is an established rule that the courts are not bound by any bargains made between the accused and the prosecution (see Cr. A. 313/68, 2 P.D. 22/283; S.S.A. 2:27, 1 P.D. 22/62).

So far as the bargains themselves are concerned, he continued, he very much feared that they had become an accepted part of police and prosecution procedure and that there was, therefore, not much point in disqualifying them on moral or ethical grounds. But in order to allay any misgivings on the part of those who are sensitive to the negative aspects of this practice, he wished to point out, he said, that certain benefits accrue from both to the accused and to the public. For the accused is spared the torments of a lengthy trial, he is brought to trial speedily and he is preserved from the danger of producing defences which could rebound to his disadvantage. On the other hand, the public benefits in that an offender against whom there might not be sufficient evidence to secure a conviction, is at least punished to some extent, the police are given more time to devote to their other numerous tasks, and the cost of litigation borne by

In the Supreme Court Sitting As Court of Criminal Appeals
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EULING ON PLEA BARGAINING

the taxpayer is considerably reduced (see also Paul Thomas, An Exploration of Plea Bargaining, 1969 Criminal Law Review). However, even if plea bargaining were not to be discredited altogether, held Justice Cohn, it should be reviewed in the light of those provisions of the Criminal Procedure Law, 1965, which deal with admissions: that in section 137, which provides that where an accused has admitted a fact, whether before the trial or during the course of the trial, he may, with the permission of the court, withdraw his admission; section 138, which lays down that a fact admitted by the accused shall be regarded as proved unless the court sees fit not to accept the admission as evidence; and section 133 which allows of the accused's admitting, by written notice to the court, the facts alleged in the information.

Justice Cohn then went on to explain that a court will allow an accused to withdraw his admission, or will refuse to accept the admission as evidence, when there is any suspicion that the admission was not made by the accused of his own free will or that it was made erroneously or for extraneous motives, or that the accused did not understand the significance of his admission.

When, he continued, an accused makes an admission — either before or during the trial — because he is given to understand that otherwise he will receive a more severe punishment or that he will be charged with more serious offences, then the suspicion is likely to arise that he has not made the admission of his own free will (see R.v. Turner, 1970, 2 Q.B. 321; R. v. Brock, 1970, Crim. L.R. 600; and United States v. Tatro, 214F. Supp. 580). For the alternative of going to prison must be deemed to be a form of duress which does not relieve any reasonable person with any real, free choice.

Wrong impression

Furthermore, Justice Cohn noted, an accused's admission — either before or during the trial — in order to escape imprisonment or to earn some other benefit, could very well have been made under the erroneous impression or the mistaken understanding that the prosecution's undertaking not to press for a severe sentence was binding upon the court, or that the court would not be more severe on him than the prosecution demanded; and mistake or wrong understanding would justify the disqualification of his admission.

In so far as an admission given on the strength of a prior agreement with the police or prosecution is concerned, continued Justice Cohn, the courts should treat it with the same suspicion and wariness as they would treat an admis-

sion made to the police itself. But in order to perform this duty they must be made aware of the existence of such an agreement. In his opinion, the best way of doing so is through the medium of the procedure provided for in section 112 of the Criminal Procedure Law: that is, the accused's written admission of the facts alleged against him should be submitted to the court, together with a written notice, signed by prosecution and defence counsel (or by the accused himself) to the effect that the admission is based on an agreement, whose terms are specified in the notice. However, in cases where the plea bargain is reached after the trial has already commenced, then the prosecution should reveal the existence of such a bargain immediately after the accused has admitted the facts, or expressed his intention of admitting them.

Test of free will

Once the existence of an agreement has been brought to the attention of the court in one way or another, then, continued Justice Cohn, the court should restrain the prosecutor from pleading on the punishment until it has explained to the accused that any promises of a lighter sentence or of other benefits which come within the discretion of the court, are not binding upon the court. Thereafter, if the accused should wish to withdraw his admission, he should be permitted to do so. But even if he elects to stand by his admission, the court should still treat it warily and subject it to the test of free will; and should be particularly suspicious of an agreement which appears to be the fruit of the abuse of the powers of persuasion of the police or prosecution.

Justice Cohn then went on to emphasize that a court would on no account allow itself to be made a party to a plea bargain between the accused and the prosecution. Judges, he said, are completely aloof from all negotiations between prosecution and defence, and have no interest whatsoever in an admission by the accused or in the possible consequences of such an admission. The only way in which a judge could be "involved" in any such negotiations is through a request to him to postpone the proceedings in order to enable the prosecution and defence to negotiate; and this request must be made in open court and duly reasoned.

In conclusion, Justice Cohn pointed out that in the particular case under consideration the agreement between the appellant and the police had not been brought to the attention of the District Court (although the Supreme Court, on the other hand, had been informed of it). The District Court had, therefore, not had an opportunity of informing the appellant that it was not bound by the agreement, or under any obligation to impose the sentence asked for by the prosecution. In such circumstances, the appellant could legitimately claim that if he had been aware of this he would have asked for leave to withdraw his admission. He should therefore be permitted to do so, held Justice Cohn, and the case should be returned to the District Court to be tried by another judge. (To be continued)

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Builders pollute T.A. beach, Gahal complains

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The Gahal Municipal faction has complained to the mayor that hotel builders in the Gordon Beach area are polluting the shoreline with piles of excavated earth and building material refuse.

Grocers want higher milk profit share

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Grocery store owners affiliated to the General Merchants' Association have threatened to stop selling milk if their profit share is not increased.

Gahal's City Councillor, Nathaniel Matalon charged in an interview with *The Jerusalem Post* that the builders of the Plaza, Diplomat and Cosmopolitan Hotels, now going up south of the Gordon Beach swimming pool, are dumping refuse on the beach and are channelling liquid wastes, such as water mixed with cement, into the sea.

The Gordon Beach is being closed this year "for development work. This will leave the Hilton Beach as the main bathing place south of the Markon. The Sheraton Beach is 32 agorot bag of milk is 2.6 agorot. They claim that their expenses have gone up as they have had to install larger refrigerators since the switch been closed because of pollution.

Tnuva is now switching over to the retailing of milk exclusively in plastic bags and is discontinuing home deliveries in most parts of Tel Aviv and in several other areas of the Dan region as well. Thus if the grocery owners implement their threats, the sole suppliers of milk will be the two Supermarket chains and the few groceries not affiliated with the association.

The grocery owners claim that their share of the profits in the sale of milk is far too small. At present their gross profit from a 32 agorot bag of milk is 2.6 agorot. They claim that their expenses have gone up as they have had to install larger refrigerators since the switch been closed because of pollution.

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ACTION COMMITTEE

Readers' letters

THE DARK AGE OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, Allow me, a third-time visitor to your wonderful country, to voice an observation based on personal experience...

The scene at Jerusalem's Central Bus Station all day Sunday, April 2 (Eid Hamood/Pesover) was unbelievable. Thousands upon thousands of Israelis and tourists were piled up like cattle...

Instead of sending hundreds of Israeli experts to advise African countries on how to develop their government should assign these people to help Egged make the leap from the Dark Ages of public transport into the era of the 1970s...

HARRY GROSSMAN Jerusalem (New York), April 4

PEN FRIENDS 'MEZUZA'

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, I read with dismay of the so-called problem of affixing the main mezuzah at the President's new home (March 29)...

The indignity and embarrassment meted out to all the dignitaries present by the media refusing to enter the concrete or metal posts could easily have been obviated by logical anticipation and siting and surface preparation.

In the case of concrete, a wood base embedded, ready to receive the mezuzah, would have been the answer. In the case of metal, the solution would be a pressure-sensitive (self-adhesive back) mezuzah which adheres firmly and securely to any smooth surface.

A mezuzah and the sitting thereof is not the last thing one should think of, be it home or castle even if it is about the last thing one attends to before vacating it home.

B. BRASH Jerusalem, March 31

'People of the cheque book'

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, As an Israeli who immigrated in 1950, I feel qualified to address a few remarks to Ruth P. Redmont whose letter appeared in your paper of April 2.

First and foremost — I know of no Israeli, Sabra or veteran immigrant, who resents the current immigration or immigrants as such. Whatever resentment does exist is directed against our government and other bodies concerned with encouraging immigration and absorbing immigrants. I know of no Israelis who seriously advocate giving immigrants a hard time now, simply because immigrants had a rough time 20 years ago.

But the situation of immigrants in the 1950s can be compared with what is happening today in another sense: when immigrants were placed in tents and lived off rations in the 1950s, this was because the entire population was living under rather similar conditions. Immigrants were given the absolute minimum necessary for them to be able to cope on the same basis as the rest of the population. The country simply could not afford to give them more, nor was it considered necessary. Today, however, the government is guided (misguided might be the more appropriate word) by the principle of allowing immigrants to maintain "the same standard of living they enjoyed abroad" — whatever that may be, and however that is measured — fearful that if immigrants are offered less, they will simply refuse to come. This is not the same as helping newcomers to get on the same footing as veterans; it means letting them in at the top, while the rest of us have to slog up, if we can, through all the taxes, levies, charges, and so on which we have the honour to pay.

Far be it from me to blame new immigrants for taking what is virtually rammed down their throats by an over-indulgent government — I would jump at the chance myself! But let's not close our eyes to the result: Mr. Average Israeli sees things handed to new immigrants on a platter for which he must slave away for a lifetime. And when complaints are voiced, no less a personage than Mrs.

Prime Minister herself slaps them down, admonishing: "The Israeli taxpayer isn't bearing the cost, so let's not hear any more about it." That's funny; I was taught that a country's revenues are allocated according to need, not according to source. Wouldn't it be so much nicer if the government treated all its citizens alike, and devoted all the "not-paid-by-the-Israeli-taxpayer" revenue to projects that would make life easier for us all? I am certain that many new immigrants would gladly waive their privileges for a promise that our unbelievable bureaucracy is to be streamlined, for a chance to reduce the slaughter on the roads, for a guarantee that vital services won't be halted by strikes every other week...

We don't resent new immigrants, Ruth Redmont. We resent being turned into second-class citizens by a government that regards us as the People of the Cheque-Book and evaluates us accordingly.

MAEGRET SIBENSTADT Jerusalem, April 2

MUSIC REVIEW

Unconventional and modern

Haita Chamber Music Society. The Tzvi Trio: Flute, violin, cello, Zvi Zak, piano and W. Levy, horn. Beth Harof, April 8. Sergio Natra: Piano Trio: Brahms: Trio for piano, violin and horn in E flat major, Op. 48. Beethoven: Trio in E flat major for piano, violin and cello, Op. 57.

SERGIO Natra is an unconventional modern composer, and his Piano Trio, written in one movement shows a wide range of energetic, challenging impressions. The interpretation was excellent, the three participants making immediate contact with the listeners.

More familiar ground returned with the Brahms Trio. Horn-player Wolfgang Levy's delicate phrasings and his sensitivity command respect where all three players gave a distinguished and powerful reading.

This strong reading increased with Beethoven's "Archduke" Trio. Complete unison and inclusive clarity were the main features of all movements.

A Haydn rondo was given as an encore, closing the H.C.H.M.S.' successful season. G.W.E.

White-collar record

TEL AVIV. — Fifty-four per cent of Israel's labour force are engaged in some sort of white collar work — the highest percentage in the world. Prof. Arie Shiron of the Tel Aviv University reported at a study day on labour relations arranged by the Productivity Institute here.

Israel also holds the record of people occupied in services as compared with productive occupations "because one cannot import services while goods may be bought ready made abroad." Prof. Shiron said.

KEEPING POSTED

A FRIEND with highly personal views on public and political matters says he would fire any government official who manages to get a strike settled in less than six weeks. His argument is that if a strike is settled after a couple of days that is proof it need never have begun, for whatever adjustments could be made in so short a period could have been made before



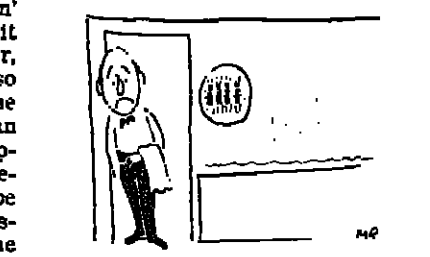
the strike. We told him not to worry too much about the El Al settlement, for this strike has only been postponed and agreement is yet to be reached. We don't know how El Al feel about this theory, but they lost IL3 million in the two days the strike was on. This only works out at about IL7,500 per striking maintenance man, or about ten months' worth of the average pay increases they want.

ONE of the most fascinating news items from the Middle East, writes our Amsterdam correspondent, "I learnt, not from The Jerusalem Post, nor from any of the other papers with a particular interest in Israel and the Middle East, which I normally read, but from an article in the Dutch Labour daily 'Het Vrije Volk' from its Israel correspondent, who uses the initials E.R. The news was so startling that the fact that it has not, to my knowledge, been mentioned anywhere else must be due either to a general censorship both in

Israel and the Arab countries, or to a kind of conspiracy of silence by all other journalists in Israel or elsewhere in the Middle East. "On April 1 he published an article of some 800 words in 'Het Vrije Volk' on municipal elections held in Transjordan (sic) on 28 March, which territory is now Israel-occupied, as is clear from the whole article. Since the word 'Transjordan' or 'Transjordanian' occurs six times in the report, it cannot be due to a printing error, or to a mere slip by the author, so that it must be true that, as the author writes, "for lack of an agreement with Amman it may happen that Transjordan will soon receive autonomous status and will be connected by federal links with Israel." We must therefore assume that, unknown to the world, Israel has occupied the whole of Transjordan as well. As the article is much too serious to dismiss as an April Fool's joke (it appeared April 1) the only other possibility remaining is that the author views events from the Jordanian side, and therefore calls 'Transjordan' what from the Israel point of view is 'Cis-Jordan,' or the so-called West Bank."

ON the subject of restaurants: A colleague reports that at an official luncheon in Tel Aviv, he was sitting with a group of bankers, one of them an Englishman, not Jewish, temporarily resident in Israel. He missed the entrée, and I took no particular notice of some friendly banter about it's not being kosher enough for him. But when the last course arrived, I saw him catch the waiter by the sleeve, and enquire urgently and insistently: "Is it parve? Is it parve?" Puzzled, he asked "Do you really eat kosher?" "No," he answered. "I'm afraid it's my liver. I'm not allowed to

eat dairy products, they give me a migraine. In fact," he added with a grin, "Kosher diets suit me very well."



mises were dirty, and they were then quickly authorized to re-open. An indignant reader wants to know when the premises had last been inspected before March 1972 — after all, cockroaches need time to settle in and feel at home before they start laying eggs. He asks suggests that rather than use varying numbers of forks to indicate the quality of a restaurant, some use a row of cockroaches instead.

Walks into parliament with no clothes on

NEW DELHI (Reuters). — A Jain sadhu (holy man) yesterday walked naked into the Indian Parliament to attend a special meeting of a committee formed to organize the celebration of a major festival of the Jain religion. The sadhu's appearance caused only a mild stir before he sat down with the other 57 committee members, presided over by Prime Minister Mrs. Indira Gandhi.

Bridge Calendar

Coming Events April 21, National Pair Tournament for the Independence Cup. Pairs, 18 Tables: N-S: starting at 4:30 p.m. at Beit Ha'am, Beersheba. April 22, National Team of Four Tournament for the Friedman Cup, two-session event starting at 10 a.m. at Beit Ha'am, Beersheba. April 23, National Junior Championship Tournament for Paris, two-session event starting at 10 a.m. at the Dukas Club, Tel Aviv.

TEL AVIV TRAFFIC CHANGES

TEL AVIV. — Ben Yehuda and Dizengoff Streets will become one-way streets for privately-owned vehicles in mid-May and the Municipal Traffic Department is already beginning to institute changes in the traffic arrangements around town to usher in the change in two of the city's busiest thoroughfares. The changes are intended to ease the traffic flow.

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Sharef tells building symposium: 'Unprecedented social tension caused by housing crisis'

By ABRAHAM RASNOVIC
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Housing Minister Ze'ev Sharef said yesterday that the rising cost of apartments and the priority given to new immigrants in housing have led to "bitter, explosive tensions" in society that have never known before.

Speaking in Jerusalem at a symposium on housing, the Minister said that in his 48 years in the country, he did not remember any previous time when questions such as "should we give them priority?" or "should we give them priority?" had been raised. The tension, he noted, existed particularly at the low and lower-middle income levels.

"It's difficult to argue with people living in appalling housing, or with the four or five thousand young couples living with parents." Some 45,000 families, he said, were living at a density of three or more persons to a room.

The symposium, which includes top builders from abroad, was organized by the Housing Ministry and the Jewish Agency to seek new methods for speeding up building. Mr. Sharef said that advice offered at the meeting could help reduce social tensions and halt an inflation he said, in which rising housing prices are a major factor. The backed-up demand for housing is such that two-thirds of the apartments in the private market in January had been sold even before the shell of the building was completed, Mr. Sharef said.

Mr. Sharef stated that housing was no impediment to immigrant absorption; all immigrants receive housing immediately upon arrival, or at most within a month or two, he said.

Mr. Asher Olanik, Assistant Director-General of the Ministry, said that while investment in housing construction had increased 21 per cent in the past four years, labour in this sector had increased by only 40 per cent. This year, 70,000 men will be employed in construction — 14,000 fewer than needed. The industry is particularly short of plasterers, tile-layers and iron-benders. The introduction of advanced techniques, Mr. Olanik said, could overcome this labour shortage.

He noted a lack of incentive among private builders to seek new methods — since profits, with the use of conventional methods, are so high. This left it up to the Government to introduce industrialization, he said.

The symposium chairman, Mr. Jack D. Weller of New York, said that the foreign members had been

impressed by the progress noted during a two-day tour of building sites in the country; but they still saw much room for improvement.

Speaking on behalf of the Federation of Building Contractors Associations in Israel, its deputy chairman, Mr. D. Stern, proposed a survey of built-up land in the major cities in order to re-plan areas where existing buildings are only one or two storeys high. By permitting the addition of storeys, "a tremendous reserve" would be created. He also suggested that more land for building be designated on the "pseudo-agricultural" lands around the major cities. He suggested that the price of such land be fixed by a Government body.

More efficient handling of applications for building permits by the planning authorities would reduce the time and expense of building, Mr. Stern added. He also called for attracting more Jewish manpower to the building industry by offering youth formal training. Current practice, he noted, calls for beginning as a "black" labourer, a prospect not appealing to many.



The Judea and Samaria area commander, Tat-Aluf Rafael Vardi, yesterday delivered official letters of appointment to mayors and councilors elected last month in nine Samaritan towns and in Jericho. T.A. Vardi is seen above at the Jericho ceremony talking to Mayor Shafik Ball, while outgoing Mayor Saleh Abdo (centre) listens.

Netivei Neft report due next week

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Witkon Commission of Inquiry into the Neftef Neft affair has completed its report and is expected to present it to the Government early next week.

The Commission, comprising Supreme Court Justice Alfred Witkon, Aluf (Res.) Meir Zorea and Mr. Avraham Kalir, was set up by the Government on November 14 to probe charges by a Development Ministry geologist, Dr. David Neev. In a memorandum presented to the Finance Minister in April last year, Dr. Neev charged Neftef Neft's general manager, Mr. Mordechai Friedman, with mismanagement and with using his position as the manager of a Government company for personal gain.

The Commission was instructed to investigate the issues raised by the Neev complaint, with particular reference to "the problems involved in the professional, organizational, social and moral aspects of management of the State oil fields, as well as the sale of equipment by Mr. Friedman to Midbar (a foreign prospecting company), as mentioned in the complaint."

The Commission started its deliberations on November 29, and completed the hearing on March 2. The Commission's report will be based on the evidence of 62 witnesses and more than 5,000 pages of testimony.

Workers seek discount store in Ashdod

Jerusalem Post Reporter

ASHDOD. — Secretaries of Ashdod's various workers committees, in a meeting convened yesterday by the local Labour Council, decided to investigate the possibility of opening a store which will sell appliances and other commodities to workers at a cut rate.

The meeting was called by Labour Council secretary Rafi Cohen, in order to discuss ways to fight the high cost of living. One of the participants stated that his research indicated prices in Ashdod were among the highest in the country, and the workers suffered most from this.

Mr. Danny Klang, one of the proprietors of Sochnuyot Hadaron, a firm which represents several appliance manufacturers in Ashdod, told The Jerusalem Post he was surprised to hear such a statement made, since all appliances were sold under a uniform national price policy. Moreover, he pointed out, his firm has a standing arrangement with many enterprises in the town to sell their workers appliances at discount prices and under convenient terms. Mr. Klang said he doubted that a store of the type proposed would be economically feasible.

'L' Plan residents rap lack of public services

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Residents of the new "L" Plan housing complex North of the Yarkon River have requested a meeting with Mayor Yehoshua Rabinovitch in order to take up what they call municipal neglect in providing new residents with proper services.

The residents contend that many of the facilities which the new neighbourhood still lacks could have been provided before they started moving in. Among their chief complaints is the fact that the neighbourhood still does not have its own kindergarten — although the area was originally planned with young couples in mind. The children now have to attend school in Ramat Aviv, which means crossing the congested and often dangerous Haffa-Tel Aviv highway. In addition, the estate still does not have a playground, and youngsters tend to crowd around the Sde Dov Airport fence to watch the planes landing and taking off — a pastime which mothers find dangerous.

There is no access to the sea. The mothers themselves complain that they do not have enough stores and must go to Ramat Aviv to shop. There are no telephones in the "L" Plan area, which could endanger the residents in case of emergency. The streets are not illuminated; and the No. 29 bus, which has recently started operating, only stops there once per hour.

Despite all this, flat prices in the area are among the highest in the Dan Region. A three-room apartment can cost upwards of IL120,000 and some of the apartments now under construction sell for more than IL200,000.

The city says it is not to blame for all the shortcomings — especially in regard to electricity, telephones and buses, as these services are given by other bodies who do not always meet their obligations on time.

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The principal bottleneck, he said, was a shortage of skilled labour. Where apartments on the private market had previously been completed in 10 months, he said, they now require 15 months. For public housing, the time necessary has risen from 14-15 months to 20-24 months.

The Minister noted that the number of houses finished had risen sharply from 23,000 units in 1968 to 38,000 last year. This year, 49,000 units are required to cover current needs. This, however, would still not make a dent in the acute

Gov't may drop control over hotels

Jerusalem Post Economic Reporter

The Ministry of Tourism, responding to a request from the Hotels Association, has set up a committee to study the possibilities of gradually reducing Government control of the hotel industry and of eventually removing it completely. Mr. Hanoch Givon, Director-General of the Ministry, told a gathering of tourism sales managers at the Tel Aviv Hilton yesterday.

Mr. Givon noted that the Ministry is willing in principle to establish similar bilateral committees to study the situation in other branches of the tourism industry.

He said that his Ministry views favourably the cancellation of Government control, on condition that the hotels take upon themselves the responsibility for maintaining professional and commercial ethics. Whatever agreement is reached will only become operative in two years' time, when the present agreement on prices ends.

Iran's Davis Cup team here to play Israel

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Iran's four-man Davis Cup team arrived here yesterday for their European Zone preliminary against Israel, starting at Ramat Gan 8:30 Wednesday (April 19). The four men are the Iranian tennis players to compete in Israel — are the brothers Taghi and Hussein Akbari, Esat Nemati, and Issa Khodai.

Within a few hours of their arrival at Lod Airport the team began its "acclimatization" training at the Maccabi Club here, prior to moving over to the Ramat Gan courts today. The players have already been preparing for the tie for the past month in Tehran. No. 1 racket Taghi Akbari told The Jerusalem Post.

Akbari, 26, is hopeful that Iran can repeat her 1968 Davis Cup victory over Israel (when a team made up of the same four players beat Israel 4:1 in Teheran). However, the Iranians are expecting a much harder fight this time, as the important ground advantage will now be with Israel.

Apart from Israel, Iran's only win in her 10 years of Davis Cup tennis was against Malaysia. Taghi Akbari has represented his country in every one of her ties in the competition. All team members compete regularly on the European International circuit, with Taghi Akbari having defeated top-flight opponents like Ken Fletcher (Australia) and Hong Kong, Mukherjee (India) and Marumaru (the Rumanian who competes regularly in Israel).

Meanwhile, Israel's Davis Cup team is undergoing intensive all-day training at the Ramat Gan club under national tennis coach Ronald

Italian sculptor names T.A. park as site for statue

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Sculptor Pietro Cascella has recommended that his statue, "Arch of Peace," be erected at the top of Independence Park, overlooking the sea. The huge five-metre-high work, donated to the City of Tel Aviv by a Jewish benefactor in Paris, stands temporarily in a square in Milan.

Mr. Cascella expects that it will also be up within six months to dismantle the sculpture in Milan and reassemble it here.

The sculptor arrived here on Tuesday for a short visit at the invitation of the Tel Aviv Foundation for literature and Art, which is responsible for transfer of the monument.

Gazans who aided Jane Elyachar, philanthropist, buried in J'lem

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Jane Elyachar, benefactor of numerous education projects in Israel, who died in New York on Saturday at the age of 74, was buried yesterday at the Sanhedria cemetery in Jerusalem. Scores of veteran Jerusalemites from all walks of life, including Supreme Court Justice and Knesset Member, came to pay their last respects to the deceased who was "a Jerusalemite at heart," although she spent most of her life in New York.

Jane Elyachar and her husband, Colonel J.R. Elyachar, were instrumental in the establishment of a number of scholarship funds, aimed especially at promoting secondary school and university studies of pupils from needy Sephardi families. Their activities over the years helped advance the study of young students at the Haifa Technion, the Sde Boker college, and in special courses run by the Defence Ministry. The deceased was also vice-president of the Ruhama Orphanage in Haifa. She is survived by her husband, who is vice-chairman of the Technion's Board of Governors; two sons; one daughter; and 11 grandchildren. Wreaths were sent by President Shazar, Defence Minister Moshe Dayan and Mr. David Ben-Gurion.

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K. Yunis postmaster held for stamp fraud

Jerusalem Post Reporter

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More working women; more nurseries planned

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Twenty thousand women joined the work force during 1971, comprising over half the increase in the country's work force. The Labour Ministry, which encouraged this trend, is taking steps to get another 100,000 women to go to work during the next five years. Labour Minister Yosef Almagi said yesterday. He was speaking at a reception of Dutch Friends of the Shabbat Levy Soldiers' Children's Home, to mark the completion of the Home's new wing.

Mr. Almagi noted some of the factors which had attracted more women to take jobs. The relative number of women in the population grew to 30 per cent (32.5 per cent among Jewish women), and there is a higher proportion of working women among new immigrants because of vocational training and traditions of working women brought from their home countries.

He said that, in order to foster the tradition in Israel, the Ministry would increase services for women workers: during the past four years the Ministry has granted financial aid for the establishment of 120 day care centres, attended by 5,000 children of working women. This year another 65, with a capacity of 4,000 children, are being planned or built at a cost of IL15m. In addition, 2,500 of the children in the nurseries were charged lower fees if their mothers' income did not exceed IL550 a month; another 2,000 will be granted aid this year.

On April 1, the income tax authorities raised annual exemptions for working mothers to IL800 of their taxable income.

It had been found that more highly educated women are more likely to go to work, and the Ministry is planning courses to train women for managerial positions.

A reception was held at the Children's Home for its Dutch friends, Susanna A. Meijers and Claire Rose Cohen. Mrs. Meijers arranged for the transfer of the estate of the late Rebecca Rubin of Holland to the Home.

Workers seek discount store in Ashdod

Jerusalem Post Reporter

ASHDOD. — Secretaries of Ashdod's various workers committees, in a meeting convened yesterday by the local Labour Council, decided to investigate the possibility of opening a store which will sell appliances and other commodities to workers at a cut rate.

The meeting was called by Labour Council secretary Rafi Cohen, in order to discuss ways to fight the high cost of living. One of the participants stated that his research indicated prices in Ashdod were among the highest in the country, and the workers suffered most from this.

Mr. Danny Klang, one of the proprietors of Sochnuyot Hadaron, a firm which represents several appliance manufacturers in Ashdod, told The Jerusalem Post he was surprised to hear such a statement made, since all appliances were sold under a uniform national price policy. Moreover, he pointed out, his firm has a standing arrangement with many enterprises in the town to sell their workers appliances at discount prices and under convenient terms. Mr. Klang said he doubted that a store of the type proposed would be economically feasible.

'Healthy' profit-taking continues in opening

Jerusalem Post Financial Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The profit-taking which started in Tuesday's variables continued strong in yesterday's opening, with a turnover of IL3,825,000 worth of shares, an amount almost equal to the turnover of Tuesday's variables (IL3,709,000), which started "the stone rolling." But in the variables yesterday buyers stepped in to mop up at reduced prices and caused many shares to close above their daily low.

Most of the share prices are still higher than they were at the end of last month, and this week's reaction should be regarded as a healthy one. Total turnover was IL5,959,000 yesterday. The general index of share prices fell by 2.80 per cent to stand at 244.32.

L.D.B. Bankholding dropped five points in the opening but regained six to close at 211 (turnover—488,900 shares). Bank Hapo'alm bearer lost 13 and regained four to close at 286 (95,700). Bank Leumi lost 11 and three more in the variables (191,000). Hassneh Insurance Company lost 15 but regained 12 to 188 (48,000). A similar movement was recorded in Tefahot preferred, which regained five of its previous 16 loss. It closed at 195 (on a turnover of only 15,000). Wolfson lost nine and regained six to 126 (110,100).

Land developers showed the same picture, with Africa losing 19 and regaining seven (350); I.L.D.C. 11 and regaining five (263) on turnovers of 30,800 and 167,300 respectively. Isras and Rascco, which fell more heavily the previous day, lost only two and four respectively, but did not regain in the variables.

In the industrial section, Ata "C" lost 5.5 when 83,000 shares were offered and 56,000 traded. 33,500 more shares changed hands at fractions up and down to close finally at 178. Dubek lost 15 (\$,800) and stayed there, the same with Cold Storage which lost five. American-Israel Paper Mills was traded unchanged (13,800), even though the price in New York was up one-eighth of a dollar. Assis lost 10 and regained three (275). Delek regained 3.5 but closed at 194, which is half a point above the previous day's close.

Investment companies lost 2 to 3

WALL STREET Closing Wednesday, April 12, 1972

NEW YORK. — The market was higher in very heavy trading. One analyst says the advance is a follow-through from Tuesday's late rally.

In the news background, Communists forces in South Vietnam apparently have moved to open another front in their current offensive. He says such news has been holding back a stronger market advance.

"Each day we've been getting more and more favourable economic news, but the Vietnam situation has been sitting on it," he observes.

Number of shares traded amounted to 24,710,000, as advancing issues led declining issues 869 to 651. The D.J.I.A. was up 4.36 points and closed at 966.96.

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Beth. Sil.	34	Gen. Instr.	44 1/2	Monson	53 1/2	Texas Instru.	140 1/2
Bausch & L.	121 1/2	Gen. Mot.	26 1/2	Monroal	53 1/2	Time Inc.	35
Bevo	34	Gillette	26 1/2	Murphy Ind.	85 1/2	Transamerica	102 1/2
Boring Co.	24 1/2	Glen Alden	11 1/2	Natoma	19	Transvail	55 1/2
Burroughs	17 1/2	W. P. Res.	27 1/2	Occ. Petr.	12 1/2	U.N. Carhide	42 1/2
Brushwell	54	G. W. Fin.	30 1/2	Occ. Petr.	12 1/2	US Steel	32 1/2
Celanese	27 1/2	Honest. Mtn.	28 1/2	Otis Elev.	41 1/2	Unif. Airfrnt.	39
Chrysler	82 1/2	Int. Paper	35 1/2	Occ. Petr.	12 1/2	West. Elec.	82 1/2
Colca-Cola	130 1/2	Int. Paper	35 1/2	Penn. W.A.	45 1/2	West. Chem.	25 1/2
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Sapir: El Al strike heading us into economic disaster

By MARK SEGAL
 Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir warned last night that if the Government does not crack down on the El Al wildcat strike, "we are heading for a catastrophe and the ruin of the country's economy."

Mr. Sapir was talking to Lashlivi — the Labour Party Young Leadership Circle, at the Yehuda Party club here. He said: "I issue an S.O.S. to the entire country on this matter."

He denied reports that he had taken a soft line in the Cabinet discussion on issuing job-freezing orders to the El Al maintenance personnel and by last night said he was considering "the most radical proposals" to "take the problem."

When someone in the audience asked: "Are you going to shut down El Al?" Mr. Sapir replied: "Don't jump the gun on the Economic Ministers' Committee discussions."

The Finance Minister described the spread of wildcat strikes in El Al as "a most grave test for us all." Should economic stability be shattered, "we may lurch into the abyss," he declared, claiming that the El Al strikers' demands entail rises of 95 to 100 per cent. "I am certainly not seeking to harm workers' interests. But what could happen if things get out of hand will do untold harm to the workers and to the State of Israel," Mr. Sapir said.

He was particularly incensed by the sudden strike measures adopted by those El Al personnel not directly involved in the wage negotiations, deploring their "irresponsibility in paralysing the nation's main link with the outside world." The Minister said he stood appalled at reports of the disorderly scenes which had resulted at Lod Airport, with unskilled tourists having to struggle to get home because of the last minute cancellations.

Here his voice took on a sombre tone: "You know I am not among the most radical on security issues. But none of us knows what can happen tomorrow. It is not unlikely that the enemy may gain encouragement from thinking that we are weakening. The defence effort still calls for tremendous efforts, and who knows what tomorrow can bring."

NO SECURITY LULL
 "I realize that some people think that the lull in the security situation means that our alertness and efforts can be reduced, well they are very, very much mistaken. We cannot afford to let up, and security remains the No. 1 priority in our national scale of values."

The Minister spoke critically of the Histadrut's weakness in handling the draw-out wage negotiations. He compared the relatively harmonious stand of two years ago when all sides rallied to the "package deal," to the present signs of instability and dislocation.

Mr. Sapir noted that although a national wage agreement between employers and organizations and the Histadrut had been signed, nothing had budged since then. He regretted that the works committees ignored the Histadrut appeals to sign their wage contracts, and instead came up with newer and bigger wage demands.

"After Miss Orah Oppenheimer, of the Social Workers Union, criticized

T.A. Maccabi assured of basketball cup

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Tel Aviv Maccabi last night assured itself the national basketball championship for 1972/73 with a convincing 110:72 victory over Tel Aviv Hapoel.

The Derby was played before 5,000 spectators at the Yad Elzhan Sports Palace. Maccabi were on top from the start and at half time led 58:32. Top scorers for Maccabi were Brodie (18), Avissar (16), Schwarz (15), and Chubin (14). For Hapoel, Dekel scored 22 points, Barzilay 17 and Torenstein 14.

With only three games to play, Tel Aviv Maccabi now has an eight-point lead at the head of the table.

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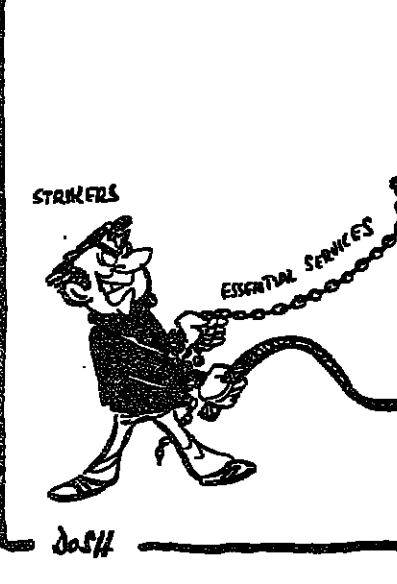
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the Government for not spending enough on social welfare and, indeed, lacking any concerted social policies, Mr. Sapir noted the increase in such social budgets as health in the past three years. This had grown, he noted, from IL270m. to IL320m. to IL360m. However, he did make a criticism of his own: "I am very much against encouraging people to live in a permanent, hot-house of social welfare, where they prefer to live on the dole rather than to do something constructive."

Lashlivi Chairman Michael Harish

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Ben-Aharon raps hiring lawyers in wage fights

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Histadrut Secretary-General, Mr. Yitzhak Ben-Aharon, has launched an attack against the practice of hiring lawyers to aid works committees in pursuing their wage demands.

Mr. Ben-Aharon said yesterday he intends to raise the issue at "the highest level," after the matter was brought to his attention by Mr. Arye Pinchuk, president of the Tel Aviv Branch of the Bar Association. The latter had complained that the Histadrut had prevented a works committee from hiring an attorney.

"I was told of at least two cases in which lawyers undertook to represent workers in wage negotiations, assuming themselves of 15 per cent of anything they obtained," Mr. Ben-Aharon stated. While there is no legal barrier to hiring an attorney for this purpose, he stated, pursuing such a practice "would mean the destruction of our entire system of labour relations, and would lead to economic catastrophe."

Army denies it misled public on Rafah fencing

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The army spokesman yesterday denied Mafam charges to the press on Monday to the effect that the spokesman had made statements designed to mislead the public on the fencing off of land in the Gaza Strip and Rafah region.

He noted: "The army spokesman never issued any announcement in respect of the size of the area that was fenced off in the Rafah area." He pointed out that the only statement made by the army spokesman on this issue was made on March 8 and said:

"According to the decision of the army command a number of weeks ago, areas were fenced off in the Rafah area. This decision came to support intensive military supervision in the region, and was taken after a series of terrorist acts and bombings, and in the light of the area's importance to terrorist infiltration. The Beduin living in the area can continue cultivating their lands inside the fence; they were offered and granted compensation for damaged property and for pay injury caused them. Simultaneously a plan is being worked out to find a permanent solution for the Beduin in the adjoining area."

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opened the meeting with criticism of the Labour Party's internal situation, noting that it had five secretaries-general in the past five years.

Mr. Harish also complained of the lack of contact between the top leadership and the party rank-and-file. He reported that the circle's study group had advised the Labour Party to "abandon the myth of common dependency on the N.R.P. It's high time the Labour Party let the N.R.P. spend a few years in the opposition."

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Jailed for passing hashish to prisoner

Jerusalem Post Staff

Two youths were tried in Jerusalem on drug charges yesterday, while two more were arrested in Haifa.

A Jerusalem youth who tried to smuggle hashish into a jail by giving it to a prisoner in the corridor of the Jerusalem Magistrate's Court was sentenced to four months in prison. A policeman had spotted the accused, Shaul Levy, 20, as he slipped a small package to a prisoner who was brought to court to give testimony in March of 1971. The prisoner hid the package in his socks, where it was discovered when he was searched. The package contained nearly seven grammes of hashish.

Another youth, Hananya Fahma, 24, of Beersheba, was sentenced to three months, suspended for three years, for possession of opium. The youth was arrested last month at the Central Bus Station, when 34 grammes of opium were found hidden in his shoe.

EL AL CRISIS

(Continued from page one)

policies of the Government (limiting wages increases to 3 per cent next year and a further 3 per cent next year) and would have to comply with the laws of the country.

In reply to a question Mr. Peres said that the job-freezing orders would not be recalled.

He also said that the Government would not intervene in the collection of the heavy fine imposed on the maintenance workers staff committee after this body had rejected a court injunction to return to work. "The courts are independent and have their own means of collecting fines imposed by them," he said.

The new strikers object to the back-to-work orders served on the maintenance workers and want these orders revoked. (The maintenance workers, on the other hand, declared that they will resume their strike the moment the back-to-work orders lose their validity, in three months' time.) Both the mechanics and the clerks said their strikes were "until further notice."

The stewards and hostesses have also given notice of a labour dispute, declaring that they too will go on a strike within a fortnight unless the back-to-work orders are withdrawn.

The maintenance workers were going about their chores in slow motion yesterday.

One of the main reasons for the decision to close down the national airline is believed to be the Ministers' desire to impress upon the public the seriousness of the situation.

It is also understood that one reason Mr. Peres urged this action on his colleagues was that he believes a confrontation between workers' groups and the Government is inevitable this year, and he wants that confrontation to take place at this time, rather than later.

It was further understood that foreign airlines were consulted before the closure order was planned, to ensure sufficient air service to and from Israel.

The Economic Ministers Committee urged El Al to take legal ac-

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'Jordan seeking to fly over Golan Heights'

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

A Lebanese weekly said yesterday that Jordan may seek Israeli permission for its planes to fly to Beirut and Europe via the Golan Heights, if Egypt decides to forbid Jordan planes from flying over its territory.

The weekly, "Al-Ouboul' al-Arabi," said that Jordan would not negotiate such a plan with Israel directly, but would try to get Israel approval through a third party, probably the International Air Transport Association (I.A.T.A.).

The Beirut paper said Jordan would have no other option if Egyptian air space were closed to her, recalling that Jordanian flights are prohibited over neighbouring Syria and Iraq.

In asking to route flights over the Golan Heights, Jordan would consider it "occupied Arab space," according to the newspaper, which went on to predict that Syria would not object to the Jordanian move.

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He conceded that there is discrimination against Jews in the Soviet Union, and that anti-Semitism exists there. However, he added, while he is not averse to propagandizing work on their behalf, he is against attacks in the style of the Jewish Defence League. "It is possible to try to convince the Russians that a change in their attitude to Jews is in their own interest — but it is absurd to try to force them," the 72-year-old Zionist stated.

Dr. Goldmann was in Israel for a memorial service for the late Lord Sieff. He plans to visit here again, for three weeks' next month. (This)



Deputy Premier and Education Minister Yigal Allon asks Prof. Benjamin Mazar for a survey on the Western Wall dig as the head of the Moslem Council, Sheikh El-Hadi al-Muntashib, expressed his fears over the excavations around the Temple Mount, which his houses the Mosques of Al-Aksa and the Dome of the Rock. Mr. Allon toured the vicinity yesterday as guest of the Moslem Council. (Mike Goldberg)

Trial of Black Hebrews ends, verdict deferred

By HERBERT BEN-ADI
 Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. — The manslaughter trial of five Black Hebrews in connection with the death of a sixth member of the sect, Cornell Kirkpatrick, reached the summation stage in the District Court here yesterday. But after hearing both prosecution and defence, the Court put off the verdict of the five — Thomas Whitfield, John Boyce, James Coates, Charley Clark and Thomas Glover — until some time after the end of the month.

In his summation, Assistant District Attorney Yeheskel Zweig charged that the five had conspired to interfere with Kirkpatrick and two Black Hebrews whom the Dimona community had expelled and who were peacefully on their way to board a bus for Beersheba. The five should have gone home after telling Kirkpatrick and his two companions — Israel Harris and Oliver Williams — that they were not wanted in Dimona, the prosecutor said.

The prosecution stated that, instead, the five had armed themselves with 1,800 rounds of live ammunition, "not for ceremonial purposes," not expecting that Kirkpatrick and Harris would be armed with axes. He said that, even if the defence contention that Kirkpatrick had merely fallen on his own axe were accepted, the five were still responsible for his death; had they not gone after him and his companions, nothing would have happened.

Defence counsel Yosef Ben-Menasha of Tel Aviv asked the court to acquit the five on the grounds that the prosecution had not proved that there had been a conspiracy. He said that, as the prosecution had not been able to prove who had killed Kirkpatrick, failure to show a conspiracy meant that the five had committed no crime.

PETTY CRIMES
 Mr. Ben-Menasha said that Kirkpatrick, Harris and Williams had been endangering the image of the whole Dimona Black Hebrew community, which had been in fear of being expelled from the country due to petty crimes committed by a few individuals. He stated that all the community had wanted was to get the three out of Dimona as fast as possible. He added that the prosecution had not established which side had started the fight.

In putting off the date for giving the court's verdict, the President, Judge Shlomo Elkayam, said only that it would not come during April. The five will meanwhile remain free on bail of IL1,500 each.

Both prosecution and defence afterwards told The Post that the case was one of the most difficult the Beersheba District Court had ever seen, as no one knew what had really happened — and those who did know were not talking.

The mother-in-law of the slain Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Elizabeth Gideon, told The Post that the entire family of Kirkpatrick's friend Oliver Williams had been expelled from the Black Hebrew community in Dimona because Williams had given evidence for the prosecution during the trial. She added that her daughter, 23-year-old Shulamit Kirkpatrick, was now in her eighth month of pregnancy.

Mrs. Gideon, who is living with her daughter in Beersheba, was born in Ethiopia and is a registered nurse. The Ministry of Health has recognized her U.S. nursing diploma and she is now going to an 'upson to study Hebrew.

AN AGRICULTURAL FAIR was held by the Volcani Institute yesterday at its Lachish experimental station. More than 4,000 farmers took part, including 400 Arab farmers from the Hebron area. The fair, held to mark the station's 10th anniversary and the Institute's 50th consisted of exhibits and symposia, one of which was held in Arabic.

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Tiran	68	10-20	22-28	18-25

ARRIVALS

Dr. Lincoln P. Bloomfield, president of political science at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and director of politico-military game techniques meet with Israeli scholars and Foreign Minister Agranat.

Sir John McKay, British Chief of Mission in Tel Aviv, and Mrs. McKay, Director of Consular Affairs, visited the Department of Pathology at Hadassah University Hospital.

Mr. Robert Colman, proprietor of Colman's Mustard, from France, discussed possibilities of expanding wine and liquor trade here.

DEPARTURES

Tel Aviv University President Prof. Yehuda Gur, who was in Paris, returned to Europe, on University business.

Professor I.C. Michaelson, Head of the Department of Pathology at Hadassah University Hospital, to London, for an ophthalmology conference, and from there to London, on sabbatical leave.

Mr. Ralph Burke, director of Israel Industries Advisory Company Ltd., to London, on company business (By HZA).

Rakah women back from U.S.S.R. trip

LOD AIRPORT. — A delegation of five women, members of a Rakah-affiliated group who were invited to visit Russia by the Soviet Women's Committee, returned here yesterday by El Al from Nicosia.

The women said on their return that, throughout the visit, they felt a "sincere desire on the part of the Soviet people to bring about closer ties with the people of Israel," and to achieve a just peace in the Middle East. (This)

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- Establishment of local election committees
 - Labour Councils and branches of the Union, which have not yet formed, are required to do so without delay. The Central Election Committee must be informed immediately of the establishment of election headquarters.
 - The elections are held according to divisions:
 - No. 1. The division of workers in municipal institutions.
 - No. 2. The division of workers in Local Authorities.
 - No. 3. The division of workers in banks.
 - No. 4. The division of industry clerks.
 - No. 5. The division of workers in national and public institutions.
 - No. 6. The division of workers in government companies.
 - No. 7. The division of workers in consumer enterprises (co-operative and private), service companies and offices.
- The above numbers are obligatory. In the voters' list the name of the voters will be marked with the number of the division to which he belongs.

In order to safeguard the voting rights of the workers' council members are requested to forward a list of Clerks' Union members at the nearest Labour Council, a list of the villages and the Labour branches and the Clerks' Union branches to which they belong will be published.

In accordance with a Histadrut resolution, pensioners may not participate in the elections, except those pensioners who work at least two hours daily.

Voting rights of workers in closed agricultural institutions are also entitled to participate in the elections for the Clerks' Union.

Office mechanisation and supplementary education workers clerks will participate in Clerks' Union elections.

Clerks' workers in administration and services: notify your voting right and elect your representatives on election day, June 27, 1972.

See: The election regulations.

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